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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A formulation for the oral treatment of dry eye syndrome, comprising:
an effective amount of omega-3 fatty acid;
an effective amount of omega-6 fatty acid;
an effective amount of gamma-linolenic-acid;
an effective amount of nutrient cofactors
an effective amount of lactoferrin;
an effective amount of mucin complex;
an effective amount of vitamin E; and
an effective amount of curcumin.

2. The formulation as recited in claim 1, further comprising an effective amount of DHEA.

- 3. The formulation as recited in claim 1, further comprising an effective amount of 1-carnitine.
- 4. The formulation as recited in claim 1, further comprising an effective amount of beta-glucan.
  - 5. The formulation as recited in claim 1, wherein said nutrient cofactors are selected from the group consisting of vitamin A, vitamin B6, vitamin C, magnesium, and any combination thereof.
- 6. The formulation as recited in claim 1, wherein said omega-3 fatty acid is provided by cod liver oil.
- 7. The formulation as recited in claim 1, wherein said omega-6 fatty acid is provided by black currant seed oil.
- 8. The formulation as recited in claim 1, wherein said gamma-linonlenic-acid is provided by black current seed oil.
  - 9. The formulation as recited in claim 1, wherein said vitamin E is a mixture
  - 10. The formulation as recited in claim 1, wherein said curcumin is provided by turmeric extract.
- 11. A formulation for the treatment of dry eye syndrome, comprising:

  black currant seed oil, in a range of 400 mg to 2500 mg;

  cod liver oil, in a range of 1 mg to 7 mg, wherein the ratio between said black currant seed oil to said cod liver oil is 400mg/1mg;

vitamin A, in a range of 500 IU to 1600 IU;

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vitamin C, in a range of 30 mg to 400 mg; vitamin B6, in a range of 4 mg to 30 mg; lactoferrin, in a range of 5 mg to 400 mg; magnesium, in a range of 10 mg to 200 mg; mucin complex, in a range of 50 mg to 400 mg; vitamin E, in a range of 10 IU to 200 IU; and curcumin, in a range of 20 mg to 300 mg.

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- 12. The formulation as recited in claim 11, further comprising DHEA, in a range of 1 mg to 100 mg.
- 10 13. The formulation as recited in claim 11, further comprising 1-carnitine, in a range of 10 mg to 1000 mg.
  - 14. The formulation as recited in claim 11, further comprising beta-glucan, 10 mg to 1000 mg.
- 15. The formulation as recited in claim 11, wherein said vitamin C is a blend of 50% calcium ascorbate and 50% ascorbyl palmitate.
  - 16. The formulation as recited in claim 11, wherein said vitamin E is a mixture of 50% d-alpha tocopherol and 50% dl-alpha tocopherol containing gamma tocopherol.
  - 17. A formulation for the treatment of dry eye syndrome, comprising: black currant seed oil, at least about 800 mg; cod liver oil, at least about 2 mg;

vitamin A, at least about 1000 IU;

vitamin C, at least about 100 mg;

vitamin B6, at least about 8 mg;

lactoferrin, at least about 10 mg;

magnesium, at least about 20 mg;

mucin complex, at least about 250 mg;

vitamin E, at least about 32 IU; and

curcumin, at least about 100 mg.

- 30 18. The formulation as recited in claim 17, further comprising DHEA, at least about 10 mg.
  - 19. The formulation as recited in claim 17, further comprising 1-carnitine, at least about 100 mg.

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20. The formulation as recited in claim 17, further comprising beta-glucan, at least about 100 mg.